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SUBJ: TECHNICAL SALES SEMINAR: FOOD PROCESSING AND PACKAGING
EQUIPMENT

REF: PRAGUE 0818

1. SUMMARY: SEMINAR CO-HOST, JAROSLAV HANZLIK, SECRETARY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND SECRETARY U.S.-CZECH ECONOMIC
COUNCIL, OPENED BOTH FRIDAY AND MONDAY SESSIONS. ATTENDANCE
MEAT AND DAIRY PRESENTATIONS FRIDAY APPROXIMATELY 40 FRUIT-
VEGETABLE SESSION MONDAY 50. RECEPTION AT AMBASSADOR'S
RESIDENCE, HOSTED BY ECONOMIC COUNSELOR MONTGOMERY AND WIFE
ON ARRIVAL THURSDAY, WAS MUCH APPRECIATED BY PARTICIPANTS.
SEVERAL SENIOR OFFICIALS OF MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND FOREIGN
AFFAIRS ATTENDED. TOTAL PRESENT ESTIMATED AT 75.
END SUMMARY.

2. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL SECTION GAVE SEMINAR MEMBERS
EXCELLENT BRIEFING PRIOR TO RECEPTION. THEIR ADVANCE WORK
RESULTED IN HIGHER THAN EXPECTED ATTENDANCE. ARRANGEMENTS AT
HOTEL JALTA WORKED OUT WELL BOTH DAYS. LUNCHEONS IN ADJOINING
ROOM PROVIDED GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN COMPANY
REPS AND ATTENDEES. TRANSLATORS WERE VERY HELPFUL.

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3. FIRMS LOOK ON VISIT HERE AS PRELIMINARY EXPLORATION AND ARE AWARE THAT CZECHS EXPECT SETTLEMENT OF GOLD/CLAIMS ISSUE BEFORE SHARPLY INCREASING TRADE WITH U.S. ONE RESULT OF FRIDAY'S SESSION WAS INVITATION BY REPRESENTATIVES OF MEAT TRUST TO EPSTEIN REPRESENTATIVE GLASS TO VISIT OFFICE AND MEET HEAD OFFICIALS.

4. FINAL EXPENSES AUTHORIZED ARE:

RECEPTION	\$300
INVITATION PRINTING AND PRINTING OF	
BROCHURES (IN CZECH)	120
ROOM RENTAL FOR SEMINARS	
(2 DAYS HOTEL JALTA)	400
LUNCHEONS (2 DAYS)	465
COFFEE	25
PHOTOGRAPHER	25
TRANSPORTATION	52
INTERPRETERS (2 FOR 2 DAYS -	
ALSO AT RECEPTION)	170
OVERTIME FOR EMBASSY LOCALS	50
RENTAL OF CHAIRMAN'S SUITE	
(5 NIGHTS)	435
 TOTAL	 \$2042

THIS IS APPROXIMATELY \$100 UNDER ORIGINAL ESTIMATE DUE TO SAVINGS ON SPACE RENTAL AND FOOD.

5. PARTICIPANTS STATEMENTS WILL BE FORWARDED 13 OR
14. EMBASSY PREPARING EVALUATION IN SEPT. PERRY

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